MC(N) 1523/2006
BEFORE
THE HON’BLE MR. JUSTICE B.P. KATAKEY

Heard Mr. Bhatra, learned counsel for the applicant.
The applicant Insurance Company by the present application is seeking condonation of delay of 151 days in preferring the appeal under Section 30 of the Employees’ Insurance Act, 1923 challenging the award dated 21.7.2005 passed by the learned Commissioner in WC Case No. 14/2004 whereby and whereunder an amount of Rs. 3,14,597/- has been awarded as compensation for the injuries sustained by the workman concerned, directing the Insurance company to satisfy the award in view of the contract of insurance between the employer and the Insurance Company, with a further direction for payment of interest in the event the Insurance company fails to satisfy the award within a period of 30 days from the date of passing of the award. The amount of interest was calculated at Rs. 43,302/-.
The grounds for which, according to the learned counsel for the applicant, the delay was caused are that after obtaining the copy of the award, the applicant sought for certain clarifications from its policy issuing office apart from calling for certain documents from the divisional office and thereafter sought legal opinion and on receipt of the same initiated the process for filing the appeal. The statement made in para 3 of the application by which the delay is sought to be explained is extremely vague, as no particulars are furnished.
In view of the above, I am of the view that the applicant could not demonstrate any cause, not to speak sufficient cause in not preferring the appeal in time.
Hence the application seeking condonation of delay is rejected.
Misc. case stands dismissed.